

Decisions of the Executive Committee

1. Calendar 2020-2021

The FIE Executive Committee has decided to postpone the resumption of competitions until February 2021, if the global Covid-19 situation allows it. Organisers will be contacted by the Sports department to determine and detail the necessary arrangements for holding their tournaments in the best possible conditions. In this regard, the FIE Outline of risk mitigation requirements in the context of COVID-19 is being revised to take account of the changing situation and the various requirements of national law and airline companies.

As regards competitions counting for the Olympic qualification scheduled for March, the FIE is working on a simplified plan to minimise travel by federations and reduce risks at various levels. We will inform you as soon as possible.

Finally, the 2020-2021 season will soon be opened on the FIE website and the competition calendar will be updated.

Registration of supervisors for competitions will also open.

2. 2021 Junior/Cadet World Championships in Cairo (EGY)

A visit by the FIE will take place in January 2021 in coordination with the Egyptian federation and national authorities. The organisational conditions will be discussed in detail and we will inform you as soon as possible.

3. Winners of the 2020 official rankings

Please find attached the list of winners of the official junior, senior, individual and team rankings.

Because there will be no Congress in 2020 and athletes cannot be invited to celebrate their victory, the medals will be sent to the national federations of the athletes and teams.

It is with the greatest warmth and pride that the President and Executive Committee congratulate the athletes and teams for their achievements and results.

4. Best referees 2020

Based on the proposal of the Refereeing Commission, the Executive Committee has designated the following best referees for 2020:

**Foil:**

1. GHEORGHE Florin Sebastian (ROU)
2. ZHURAVLEVA Natalia (RUS)
3. CHUA Eugene Wee Hong (SGP), SCOMPARIN Isacco (ITA), SUH Sangwon (KOR)

Epee:

1. PAGHIEV Mihail (MDA)
2. CIVIERO Ambre (SUI)
3. GEROSSIDERIS Efstathios (GRE), HATZOPOULOS Eleftherios (GRE), KOVRIJNYKH Andrei (RSA)

Sabre:

1. MILENCHEV Vasil (BUL)
2. FLOREA Marius (ROU), EL BAKRY Medhat (EGY)
3. BUCCA Emanuele (ITA), KOSA Miklos (HUN)

As an exception, in this difficult year, joint placings were awarded.

5. Elite referees for the 2020-2021 season

Based on the proposal of the Refereeing Commission, the Executive Committee has designated the following elite referees for the 2020-2021 season:

Foil:

1. ZHURAVLEVA Natalia (RUS); 2. GHEORGHE Florin (ROU); 3. SCOMPARIN Isacco (ITA);
4. SUH Sangwon (KOR); 5. CHUA Eugene Wee (SGP).

Epee:

1. PAGHIEV Mihail (MDA); 2. CIVIERO Ambre (SUI); 3. RIOS RIVERA Juan (MEX);
4. KOVRIJNYKH Andrei (RSA); 5. GEROSSIDERIS Efstathios (GRE).

Sabre:

1. MILENCHEV Vasil (BUL); 2. FLOREA Marius (ROU); 3. EL BAKRY Medhat (EGY);
 4. BUCCA Emanuele (ITA) 5. SHAMIS Vladislav (RUS).
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6. 2021 FIE Anti-Doping Rules and 2021 FIE Anti-Doping Operational Instructions

a) FIE Anti-Doping Rules

Preamble

Following the adoption of the 2021 WADA Code and amendments to various international standards, the FIE has had to adopt new anti-doping rules, which will come into force on 1 January 2021.



These 2021 FIE Anti-Doping Rules were drafted jointly with the FIE Medical Commission, have been approved by WADA and are available on the FIE website, Clean Sport : <https://fie.org/fie/documents/clean-sport>

The amendments to the WADA Code affect seven specific areas and are detailed in the documents published by WADA here: <https://www.wada-ama.org/en/resources/the-code/2021-world-anti-doping-code>

- (1) Anti-doping rule violations, proof of doping and prohibited list
- (2) Testing and investigations, analysis of samples, result management and hearings
- (3) Consequences of anti-doping rule violations
- (4) Appeals
- (5) Implementation of decisions, transitional provisions
- (6) Institutional changes
- (7) Other important novelties

Important

We draw your attention **in particular** to the following amendments in the 2021 FIE Anti-Doping Rules:

(i) Articles 17 – Education and 18 – Additional Roles and Responsibilities of National Federations, and all subsections, including Article 18.8, which states:

18.8 *All National Federations shall conduct anti-doping education in coordination with their National Anti-Doping Organisations.*

(ii) Articles 20 – Additional Roles and Responsibilities of Fencers, 21 – Additional Roles and Responsibilities of Athlete Support Personnel and 22 – Additional Roles and Responsibilities of Other Persons Subject to these Anti-Doping Rules.

(iii) In accordance with Article 20.3.4 of the *Code*, all members of the FIE Executive Committee and its commissions and councils, officers and employees (as well as those of the appointed *Delegated Third Parties*) who are involved in any aspect of *Doping Control* must sign a form provided by the FIE, in order to agree to be bound by these Anti-Doping Rules in their capacity as *Persons* within the meaning of the *Code* (see Art. 19.2 and 19.3 of the 2021 FIE Anti-Doping Rules). The corresponding form is available on the FIE website, Clean Sport : <https://fie.org/fie/documents/clean-sport>

(iv) The definition of an international level fencer has been broadened as follows:

- Fencers belonging to the target group of athletes subject to testing and the group of athletes subject to FIE testing; and
- Fencers ranked in the world top 64 (previously the world top 32) in each of the 6 senior weapon categories at the start of each season.

(v) The events requiring anti-doping tests and the number of fencers to be tested have been removed from the FIE Anti-Doping Rules and transferred to the document called “FIE Anti-Doping Operational Instructions”.

b) 2021 FIE Anti-Doping Operational Instructions

This document replaces the old document called “FIE anti-doping officer duties” and is available on the FIE website, Clean Sport : <https://fie.org/fie/documents/clean-sport>

7. FIE Coaching Academies

Following the reports from the Academy in Johannesburg and the plans that have been implemented, the Academy has been reconducted for one year. For the other academies, a decision will be taken at a later stage, as some borders are still closed and plans still have to be approved.

8. Meetings in 2021

Please find below the list of meetings:

Bureau and Executive Committee

20 February (Saturday): online meeting
5 June (Saturday): Lausanne (SUI)
17 September (Friday): online meeting
25 November (Thursday): Moscow (RUS)
28 November (Sunday): Moscow (RUS)

Commissions and Councils

25–26 June (Friday and Saturday): online meetings.

Congresses

26 November (Friday), Moscow (RUS): Ordinary Congress.
Deadline for submitting proposals: 25 March 2021, midnight (Lausanne time).

27 November (Saturday), Moscow (RUS): Elective Congress.
Deadline for submitting candidatures for elections and nominations: 17 October 2021, midnight (Lausanne time).